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ERICH SCHOLZ ET AL. Serial No.: 09/701,329	) Art Unit: 2841
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Title: MIXING FIBROUS CONSTITUENTS	) Deposit Account: 04-1403
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## **COMMUNICATION**

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The present information Disclosure Statement is submitted in accordance with Applicants' Duty of Disclosure within three months of the RCE filing date. Please note that a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) was filed in the present application on December 9, 2004, in order to file an Information Disclosure Statement within three months. Applicants expressly requested suspension of action on the present application for a period of 3 months and paid the required fee of \$130.00. A copy of the RCE request form is attached for your reference. However, a Notice of Allowance dated February 15, 2005, was issued by the Examiner prior to the end of the three-month period.

Applicants are providing a search report issued by the German Patent Office on the corresponding German priority document, as well as copies of the references cited therein. Please note that all references but the DD '573 reference are already of record.

Also, please note that DE 1510247 was cited in an Opposition Proceeding against the corresponding EP application. An English language counterpart to this reference is not available.

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to consider the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement as being timely filed and to issue a Supplemental Notice of Allowability indicating such.

The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned should any additional information be required.

Respectfully submitted,

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